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UTAH BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING SCHEDULES TWO-DAY HEARING

Salt Lake City, Utah -- The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining will meet on Wednesday, March 23, and Thursday, March 24, 2011, in the auditorium of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. An informal briefing session will be held beginning at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday and the formal agenda will begin at 10:00 a.m. the same day.

During the informal briefing session Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation will present its annual mine reclamation report. Four nominees will then present details of their individual projects that have been nominated for 2011 Earth Day Awards, and the board will be briefed on results of the Legislative session that concluded earlier in the month.

AGENDA

1. Docket No. 2010-026 Cause No. C/015/0032F – In The Matter of the Request for Agency Action of GENWAL RESOURCES, INC., Petitioner and Permittee; Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Respondent – Request for Board Review of Division Order DO10A, Requiring Bonding for the Perpetual Treatment of Mine Water Discharge at the Crandall Canyon Mine in Emery County, Utah.

This matter was continued from the February 23, 2011, board hearing.

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2. Docket No. 2011-002 Cause No. RMNRL-2011-01 – In the Matter of Formal Rulemaking to Amend the MINERALS REGULATORY PROGRAM R647 RULES for Annual Fee and Report Deadlines.

This matter was continued from the February board hearing and public comment will be accepted on March 23, 2011.

3. Docket No. 2011-005 Cause No. 272-01 – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY for an Order Establishing 40 Acre Drilling and Spacing Units for the Production of Oil and Gas from the Green River Formation in the SW1/4SE1/4, NW1/4SW1/4 and the S1/2SW1/4 of Section 10, Township 5 South, Range 4 West, USM, Duchesne County, Utah.

This is a routine request for establishment of drilling and spacing units.

4. Docket No. 2010-027 Cause No. M/047/0090 A – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of LIVING RIVERS, Petitioner; Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Respondent – Request to Appeal the Decision of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Approving the Application of Earth Energy Resources to Conduct Tar Sands Mining and Reclamation Operations at the PR Springs Mine, Uintah County, Utah.

The board will continue to hear witness testimony in this matter.

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